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SUBJECT: KIM IL SUNG LEAVES MAURITANIA

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1. KIM IL SUNG AND PARTY ARRIVED NOUAKCHOTT LATE AFTERNOON MAY 30 ON BOARD ONENORTH KOREAN AND ONE CHINESE ILUYSHIN PLANE. KIM DEPARTED MAURITANIA MORNING OF JUNE 1.

2. DESPITE FACT GIRM HAD ONLY FOUR-DAY NOTICE OF KIM'S VISIT, MAURITANIANS PUT ON IMPRESSIVE WELCOME. KIM REMAINED IN CAPITAL THROUGHOUT HIS VISIT, ONLY TRAVELING AROUND CITY FOR RECEPTIONS AND DINNERS IN HIS HONOR. MAURITANIAN SECURITY WAS AUGMENTED BY NORTH KOREANS WHO ALSO ASSISTED IN MAKING LARGE WELCOME SIGNS FOR KOREAN CHIEF WITH SLOGANS SUCH AS "LET US SALUTE THE HEROIC COMBAT OF THE KOREAN PEOPLE FOR THE REUNIFICATION OF KOREA UNDER THE DIRECTION OF COMRAD KIM IL SUNG."

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3. SPECIAL MAY 31 EDITION OF NOUAKCHOTT INFORMATION PUBLISHED ARTICLE OUTLINING KIMBLJS THREE PRINCIPLES AOZ

THE FIVE POINTS FOR THE REUNIFICATION OF KOREA. ARTICLE ALSO
REVIEWED FOREA'S "36 YEARS OF STRUGGLE AGAINST
FOREIGN INTERVENTION AND COLONIALISM". (BEING POUCHED TO AF/W)

4. DURING HOUR AND A HALF INTERVIEW, KIM TOLD AFP CORRESPONDENT
IN NOUAKCHOTT THAT NEXT STOP ON ITINERARY WOULD BE BULGARIA.
KIM INDICATED THAT HE PLANNED VISIT OTHER AFRICAN STATES,
ALTHOUGH NOT DURING PRESENTRO. AFP CORRESPONDENT
MENTIONED TO A MEMBER OF NOUAKCHOTT DIPLOMATIC CORPS THAT
KIM STATED VISIT TO SENEGAL WOULD BE MADE ON HIS NEXT TRIP
TO AFRICA BECAUSE KIM "OWED SENRTR A DEBT".

5. ALTHOUGH MAURITANIAN PRESS AND RADIO OVERFLOWED WITH
FULLSOME PRAISE OF KIM'S ECONOMIC AND MILITARY "SUCCESES"
AND INCLUDED NUMEROUS HISTORICAL INACCURACIES ABOUT US
ACTIONS AND MOTIVES DURING KOREAN, THEY DID NOT CONSTITUTE
GROUNDS FOR FORMAL PROTEST. AMBASSADOR WILL, TOWEVER, USE
APPROPRIATE OCCASION IN NEAR FUTURE TO POINT OUT HISTORICAL
ERRORS AS WELL AS TO REEMPHASIZE US COMMITMENT TO SOUTH
KOREA. HANDYSIDE

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